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SUBJECT: PROPOSED USGS INVESTIGATIONS IN ALGERIA - MAURICE
GROLIER

USGS REQUESTS ADVICE FROM EMBASSY WHETHER IT IS FEASIBLE
TO REQUEST GOA APPROVAL FOR MR. GROLIER TO MAKE GROUND
RECONNAISSANCE OF NUMEROUS SMALL WIND EROSION FORMS CALLED
ZBARA NEAR IN SALAH (27 DEGREES NORTH, 2 DEGREES 30 MINUTES
E). USGS CURRENTLY COMPLETING, UNDER THE AUSPICES OF NASA,
A WORLDWIDE SURVEY OF WIND EROSION FORMS (YARDANGS). ZBARAS
ARE LIKENED TO YARDANGS BUT WERE GIVEN A DIFFERENT NAME BE-
CAUSE THEY WERE THOUGHT TO HAVE A SLIGHTLY DIFFERENT ORIGIN.
THIS PROPOSED RECONNAISSANCE WOULD HELP SOLVE THIS UNFOR-
TUNATE NOMENCLATURE PROBLEM.

MR. GROLIER PROPOSES, IF APPROVED, TO UNDERTAKE THIS STUDY
ABOUT MAY 10, 1976. USGS WOULD APPRECIATE REPLY COPIED TO
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